

**METHODS AND COMPUTER SYSTEMS FOR RENDERING DISPLAYS OF
TEXT STRINGS DURING BIOS ACTIVITY**

ABSTRACT

5 Methods and computer systems render displays of text strings during bios activity
by utilizing escape codes within the strings to signify that portions of the text strings are
to be displayed in various formats. One escape code signifies one format, such as bold
typeface while another escape code signifies another format, such as underlined. A
display engine of the BIOS when generating the display of text strings encounters the
10 escape codes, interprets them to determine the format for the subsequent text, and renders
the display of the subsequent text in the corresponding format.